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SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF DEFENSE DEPARTMENT STAFFING LEVELS

REF: SECSTATE 35323

1. WE AGREE THAT NONE OF THE STRENGTH FIGURES CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 5, REFTSL CAN BE USED TO DEMONSTRATE RESPONSIVENESS TO SECTION 15 (A) (3), P.L. 93-475.

2. THERE IS ONE BASIC REASON WHY THE MACTHAI U.S. ARMED FORCES TROOP LIST AND THE EMBASSY REPORT DO NOT AGREE. THE EMBASSY REPORT CONTAINS MACTHAI/JUSMAG MILITARY AND DOD CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WHEREAS THE MACTHAI U.S. ARMED FORCES TROOP LIST DOES NOT INCLUDE CIVILIANS.

3. REPORT ELEMENTS:

A. MACTHAI U.S. ARMED FORCES TROOP LIST:

(1) MACTHAI/JUSMAG: THE FIGURE USED IN PARAGRAPH 5, REFTEL, FOR DECEMBER 31, 1974 OF 775 PERSONNEL ASSIGNED FOR MACTHAI/JUSMAG IS CORRECT AND CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS:

(A) JUSMAG	- 224
(B) MACTHAI	- 189
(C) TLD UDORN	- 362
TOTAL	- 775

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(2) DAO: OF THE VARIOUS POSSIBLE COMBINATIONS,

THE FIGURE USED PARAGRAPH 5, REFTEL, FOR DECEMBER 31, 1974  
OF 30 PERSONNEL ASSIGNED FOR DAO DOES APPEAR TO BE ELUSIVE.  
THE FOLLOWING IS A BREAKDOWN OF DAO DAO ELEMENTS:

(A) DEFENSE ATTACHE OFFICE	- 15
(B) ATTACHED	- 16 #
(C) FAS	- 2 #
(D) CIVILIANS	- 6 #
(E) DET 412	- 17
(F) DET 415	- 15
TOTAL	- 71

# NOT CONTAINED IN THE MACTHAI U.S. ARMED FORCES TROOP  
LIST.

B. EMBASSY REPORT:

(1) AMERICANS:

(A) MACTHAI/JUSMAG MILITARY PERSONNEL	- 775
(B) CIVILIAN APPROPRIATED FUND PER- SONNEL	- 434 #
(C) CIVILIAN NON-APPROPRIATED FUND PERSONNEL	- 183#
(D) DOD CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL	- 874 #
(CIVILIAN)	- 2266

# TWENTY-FOUR OF THE CIVILIAN APPROPRIATED FUND PERSONNEL  
ARE ASSIGNED MACTHAI BUT ONLY ONE WORKS WITH MILITARY  
ASSISTANCE. ALL OF THE CIVILIAN PERSONNEL FIGURES USED  
WERE EXTRACTED FROM A SEPTEMBER 30, 1974 MACTHAI CIVILIAN  
PERSONNEL DOCUMENT. THE CIVILIAN PERSONNEL FIGURES AS OF  
DECEMBER 31, 1974 DID NOT BECOME AVAILABLE UNTIL FEBRUARY  
27, 1975.

(2) DAO: SEVENTY-ONE AMERICANS ARE ASSIGNED AS  
STATED IN PARAGRAPH 3A(2) ABOVE. ONLY 15 MILITARY PERSONNEL  
ARE ASSIGNED TO THE DEFENSE ATTACHE OFFICE.

4. AS STATED PARAGRAPH 6, REFTEL, THE REASON FOR THE  
APPARENT INCREASE IN THE SIZE OF THE MAAG (REALLY MACTHAI/  
JUSMAG) FROM 524 IN AUGUST 73 TO 927 IN MARCH 74 OCCURRED  
WITH THE CHANGE IN ACCOUNTING RESPONSIBILITY FOR TLD UDORN  
(CAMBODIA SUPPORT) FROM PACAF TO MACTHAI. PRESENTLY TLD  
HAS 362 PERSONNEL ASSIGNED.

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5. REFERENCE PARAGRAPH 7, REFTEL, RELATIVE DIVISION OF  
LABOR BY FUNCTION AND BY COUNTRY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1974:

FUNCTION:	COUNTRY:	MILITARY	DOD CIVILIAN
	PERSONNEL:	PERSONNEL:	

OPERATIONAL UNITS	THAILAND	23,692 #	1,273 #
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ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND 224 (JUSMAG) 1 (JUSMAG)

FOREIGN COUNTRIES

THAILAND 15 (DAO) 0  
 CAMBODIA 57 (METDTC) ## 0  
 CAMBODIA  
 & LAOS 362(TLD) ## 0  
 LAOS 57 (DEPCHIEF) ## 0  
 VIETNAM 0 0

# THIS INCLUDES 1,340 MILITARY AND 512 DOD CIVILIAN PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO MACTHAISUPTGP. WE HAVE REQUESTED THAT MACTHAI FURNISH BEST ESTIMATE OF PROPORTION PERSONNEL EFFORT DEVOTED TO MACTSUPTGP ASSISTANCE TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND INFO WILL BE FORWARDED UPON RECEIPT.

## THESE UNITS SHOULD NOT BE REFLECTED AGAINST THAILAND MILITARY ASSISTANCE CEILING EVEN THAOUGH THEY ARE PHYSICALLY STATIONED IN THAILAND.

6. FROM MARCH 1974 TO DEC 31, 1974, AMERICAN PERSONNEL (BOTH MILITARY AND DOD CIVILIAN) ASSIGNED TO THAILAND HAVE BEEN REDUCED FROM 38,109 TO 25,687. INCLUDED IN THIS REDUCTION IS A REDUCTION OF 11,565 MILITARY AND 857 DOD CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

7. THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY ASSIST IN UNDERSTANDING PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE STRENGTHS IN THAILAND:

	1 JAN 73	1 JAN 74	1 JAN 75		
CATEGORY	STRENGTH	STRENGTH	STRENGTH	FY 76	FY 77
MACTHAI	279	261	189	0	0
JUSMAG	264	236	224	154	150
DOD CIVILIANS	1,972	1,875	1,274	950	950

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TLD UDORN #	348	329	362	54	54
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MACTSUPTGP	2,219	2,143	1,340	728	690
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OFFICE	15	15	15	14	14
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# SEE PARAGRAPH 4 ABOVE,

NOTE: IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT ALL STRENGTHS WILL BE FURTHER REDUCED BEYOND FIGURES SHOWN, BUT THEY WILL BE EVENT ORIENTATED, E.G., REDUCED MILITARY ASSISTANCE LEVELS. ALSO THE FY 76 PROJECTION OF ZERO FOR MACTHAI AND 728 FOR MACTSUPTGP IS ACTUALLY A CONSOLIDATION OF BOTH UNITS AND THE UNIT DESIGNATION COULD WELL BECOME MACTHAI OR SOME OTHER NAME.

8. FINALLY, COMPARING PARAGRAPH 4, REFTEL, WITH OUR PARAGRAPH 7 ABOVE, IT WOULD APPEAR THAT DOD HAS USED MACTHAI DATA FOR 1 JAN 74 AND POSSIBLY ALSO FOR 1 JAN 75 IN THE PLACE OF JUSMAG DATA. ALSO, LATEST INFORMATION WE WERE ABLE TO OBTAIN ON DAO MANNING IS THAT THE LOSS OF ONE OFFICER PROGRAMMED FOR JAN 75 DID NOT OCCUR BUT UNDERSTAND DAO NEW DELHI TOOK LOSS INSTEAD. ALTHOUGH NO OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION AVAILABLE HERE, WE UNDERSTAND THAT DAO WILL LOSE ONE ENLISTED AIRBORNE COMMUNICATOR SOMETIME IN FY76 UPON ARRIVAL OF NEW C-12 AIRCRAFT AND THE TRANSFER OF PRESENT C47 AIRCRAFT.

9. EMBASSY VIEWS AS REQUESTED PARAGRAPH 8, REFTEL, WILL FOLLOW SEPARATELY.  
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